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chloride, from about 0.02 to about 0.04 percent by weight magnesium chloride hexahydrate, from about 0.3 to about 0.4 percent by weight sodium acetate, from about 0.15 to about 0.20 percent by weight of a buffer, remainder water.

Please amend claims 8-15 as follows to place them in proper form for reissue.

10 8. (Amended) The method of claim <sup>7</sup>~~16~~ wherein said polymer is present in an amount between about 2 to about 5 percent by weight of said viscoelastic gel.

11 9. (Amended) The method of claim <sup>7</sup>~~16~~ wherein said polymer is present in an amount between about 3.5 to about 4.5 percent by weight of said viscoelastic gel.

12 10. (Amended) The method of claim <sup>7</sup>~~16~~ wherein said polymer is present in an amount between about 4.5 to about 5.5 percent by weight of said viscoelastic gel.

13 11. (Amended) The method of claim <sup>7</sup>~~16~~ wherein said polymer is present in an amount of about 4 percent by weight of said viscoelastic gel.

14 12. (Amended) The method of claim <sup>7</sup>~~16~~ wherein said polymer is polyacrylamide.

15 13. (Amended) The method of claim <sup>7</sup>~~16~~ wherein said viscoelastic gel comprises

- (a) 2 to 5 percent by weight of said polymer;
- (b) 0.4 to 8.6 percent by weight sodium chloride;

- (c) 0.075 to 0.3 percent by weight potassium chloride;
- (d) 0.04 to 0.33 percent by weight calcium chloride;
- (e) 0.02 to 0.04 percent by weight magnesium chloride hexahydrate;
- (f) 0.3 to 0.4 percent by weight sodium acetate;
- (g) 0.15 to 0.20 percent by weight buffering agent; and
- (h) remainder water.

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14. (Amended) <sup>15</sup> The method of claim <sup>13</sup>, wherein said buffering agent is sodium citrate dihydrate.

<sup>17</sup> 15. (Amended) <sup>2</sup> The method of claim <sup>16</sup> wherein said viscoelastic gel consists essentially of about 4 percent by weight of said polymer having a molecular weight of about 5 million, about 0.49 percent by weight sodium chloride, about 0.075 percent by weight potassium chloride, about 0.048 percent by weight calcium, about 0.03 percent by weight magnesium chloride hexahydrate, about 0.17 percent by weight sodium citrate dihydrate, remainder water.

REMARKS

By the above amendments, Applicant has corrected certain error which appeared in the above-identified application. First, the expression "and copolymers thereof" has been deleted from the